

COMMUNITY NEWS

Owner of Commercial Chevrolet/
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Chevrolet/Cook

In 1967, General Motors approved Drexel Cook as a Chevrolet dealer, and Mr. Cook opened Cook Chevrolet in Elba at that time.

Prior to Cook Chevrolet opening, Elba had been without a franchised car dealer for many years.

In 1983, Jimmy Cook was approved as a Chevrolet dealer, and he bought Cook Chevrolet from his father at that time. Later in 1997, after having been approved as a dealer by Ford Motor Company, Jimmy purchased the Ford dealership in Elba and has since operated both franchises.

The two dealerships combined employ a work force of approximately 30 people and have annual gross sales of 20 to 25 million dollars.

Cook Chevrolet/Cook Ford is proud to derive the majority of its customer base from repeat customers with third and fourth generations of Cook Chevrolet/Ford customers now buying automobiles.

The service department has perennially been one of the best in the industry and this is a tremendous factor in the establishment of customer loyalty - something that has been important since Mr. Cook originally opened.

Cook Chevrolet/Cook Ford is also proud of its tradition of supporting local and surrounding schools and civic organizations.

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JIMMY COOK (shown above) purchased Cook Chevrolet from his father, Drexel Cook, in 1983. Jimmy purchased the Ford dealership in Elba in 1997 and has since operated both franchises.

The National Security Group announces share results

Results for the three months ended March 31, 2005 and 2004, based on accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, were reported today as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004	2005
Premium Income	\$13,664,000	\$13,795,000
Investment Income	1,091,000	1,051,000
Realized Investment Gains	198,000	387,000
Rev. from Leasing Operation	602,000	374,000
Other Income	360,000	345,000
Total Revenues	<u>15,915,000</u>	<u>15,952,000</u>
Net Income	\$ 1,292,000	\$ 1,053,000
Net Income Per Share	\$.052	\$.043

Elba Public Library offers variety of new books for reading

LARGE PRINT FICTION

Churchill, Jill The Glass Menagerie
Colley, Barbara Polished Off
Hunter, Madeline The Saint
Graves, Sarah Tool & Die
Ferris, Monica Hanging By A Thread
Graves, Sarah Unhinged
MacPherson, R. In Sheep's Clothing
Maxwell, Cathy Married In Haste
Neely Barbara Blanche On The Farm
Page, Katherine H. The Body In The Attic
Thomas, Jodi When A Texan Gambles
Allende, Isabel Zorro
Connelly, Michael The Closers
Cook, Robin Marker
Dailey, Janet Lone Calder Star

CHRISTIAN FICTION

Morris, Gilbert Jordan's Star
Boeshaar, Andrea Wisconsin
Brand, Irene Listen To Your Heart
Crisb, Dana A New Life
Cote, Lyn Loving Constance
Henderson, Dee The Healer
Martin, Gail Gaymer Loving Care
Mills, Diann Kaleidoscope
Pearl, Jayne Shadow Bride
Polecanos, George Diana City
Ross, Ann B. Miss Julia's School Of Beauty
Coben, Harlan The Innocent
Clark, Mary Higgins No Place Like Home
Peretti, Frank Monster
Wells, Rebecca Ya-Ya's In Bloom

Pioneer Telephone Services completes merger with AlaWeb

Pioneer Telephone Services, Inc., a local telecommunications service company formed in 1984, signed merger agreements with Andalusia-based AlaWeb, Inc. on May 27th, 2005. AlaWeb, the oldest and largest Internet Service Provider in South Alabama, began its operations in 1996, partnering with Covington Rural Services, a subsidiary of the Electric Cooperative of Andalusia, the same year.

The new company will do business as AlaWeb Pioneer Services and will continue to provide the same level of service that each of their customers have come to expect. The company will serve South Alabama, S. W. Georgia, and N.W. Florida with a lineup of combined services to include its flagship Dial-up and Wireless Broadband services, Business & Residential Telephone & Networking services, Security & Surveillance Systems - Installation & Monitoring, and Home Theater Design & Installation.

The company is also very excited to be the area's authorized distributor of the soon-to-release rural broadband satellite service, WildBlue, through its association with NRTC (National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative). WildBlue is a fast, affordable, always-on broadband service with a capacity of serving millions of rural customers across the country. AlaWeb Pioneer Services will roll out the service in July within a 100-mile radius of Andalusia to consumers previously unserved by a broadband service.

The new company will also be the area's premier DirecTV Servicer, covering the same geographical footprint as with its other services, with Installation, Programming, Customer Service, and Billing for DirecTV's award-winning Digital Television service.

Spears states, "Technology has advanced to the point that, along with the impact of this merger, we can now reach virtually every rural consumer in the area with services previously only available in larger, suburban areas - services like WildBlue, HDTV, and more will offer area consumers choices they've never had."

Happy Father's Day

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Timothy Jackson selected to attend leadership conference

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Elba's Stephanie Baxley receives "Player of the Year" honor

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During called County Board of Education meeting

Numerous personnel recommendations approved

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Thursday, June 16, at Noon for a called meeting with the main focus being personnel matters.

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram presented board members with several personnel recommendations for approval. The board approved all recommendations made by the superintendent, and she said there still are other positions open for employment.

Ingram said the system currently is looking to employ the positions of band director at New Brockton, head basketball and softball coach at New Brockton, a science teacher at New Brockton, a math teacher at New Brockton, physical education teacher and a registered nurse.

During last Thursday's meeting, the following personnel recommendations were approved by board members:

Certificated
• Accept the retirement of Lejune Davis, third grade teacher at Kinross School;
• Employ Carol Young as a

third grade teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Jan Hornsby from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinross School to fourth grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Hilda Smith from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinross School to fourth grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Tim Archie from his position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinross School to fifth grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Judy Moody from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinross School to sixth grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Debbie Nobles from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinross School to a sixth grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

grade self-contained teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Sandy Reeves from her position as first grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to kindergarten teacher at Kinross School;

• Employ Jennifer H. Smith as business education teacher at Kinross School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Kristen Mayberry from her position as sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to preschool through sixth grade special education teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Natavia M. Waters from her position as second grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to first grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Employ Laura Clark as a fourth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Employ Kim Smith as a sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Employ Dorothy Little as a second grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Transfer Dana Padgett from her position as preschool through sixth grade special education teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to preschool through sixth grade special education/sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the resignation of Glen Johnson as science teacher/head basketball coach at New Brockton High School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Shannon D. Clark from his position as 10th and 11th grade U.S. history teacher at New Brockton High School to 11th grade U.S. history and 12th grade government and economics teacher at New Brockton High School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Patricia Campbell from her position as a full time business education teacher at New Brockton High School to a part time business education teacher at New Brockton High School;

• Employ Hannah Whitl as a seventh through 12th grade social studies teacher and electives with library duties at New Brockton High School;

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Local business owner shares love for restoration work with Lions Club members

by Linda Hodge, Editor

While growing up in Texas, Haynes said he never imagined life would lead him to open a business in Elba, Ala., but that's exactly where his journey has delivered him.

Haynes said his business actually started by accident. While searching for a new career opportunity, he was trying to sell an old plane he owned. He said an individual from Enterprise, Ala., said he would buy the plane if Haynes finished restoring it.

At that point, he packed up and moved from Panama City Beach, Fla. to Enterprise beginning his new business venture.

Some time later, Haynes said he found an opportunity to move his business to the Carl Folsom airport in Elba, and after the local airport authority accepted his proposal, Wing Nuts Inc. opened in Elba in 1998.

Once word got out regarding Haynes' plane restoration business, he said it boomed at first. Then, 911 happened, and the phones quit ringing.

Haynes said he had one good customer that kept the business going during that down time, and after a while things began to pick back up again. However, he said 911 definitely had its lingering effects.



A WELDER IS BUSY connecting joints of pipe near the apex of the levee at a location behind the old high school gym. A second pipe will be installed just to the right of this one. The 220 foot long pipes will serve huge pumps sending collected rain water over the levee at times when the river is high and the flap gates are closed on the gravity flow drain pipes through the bottom of the levee. Another, similar, but larger, pumping system is located off Putnam Street and has proven its worth.

Elba City Council approves school board appointments

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council last week voted unanimously to name Reverend Aubrey Williams to a third consecutive, five year term on the Elba City School Board and to name Josh Wilson to complete the term of Dr. Ken Dyess, who recently resigned from the board.

In other business the council heard a complaint from Bobby Burleson, whose address is Hickman Avenue, near the schools. He expressed concern over the continued erosion of his two acres of property.

Burleson contends the problem started after construction began on the school complex in the early 1990s.

He told council members that he has only gotten promises and no action from any officials in addressing the problem.

Mayor James Grimes explained to Burleson that this problem should be taken to the school board, as property adjoining him belongs to the school and not to the City of Elba.

Grimes added that the city often works with school officials and their problems, but any solution for this situation would have to come from, or through, the school board.

The council voted to amend the civil leave portion of the employee manual to bring it into compliance with new federal laws. The new version omits the section requiring anyone serving on jury duty to turn in any

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does have enough work orders already in place to keep him busy for a good while with other prospects in the work.

Also, he said he is trying to get another restoration venture started. Haynes said he has been restoring old drink machines, signs, gas pumps, etc.

Haynes said he has an open door policy up at Wing Nuts, and he welcomes anyone to come look around.

Mike Haynes (right), owner of Wing Nuts Inc. recently spoke to the Elba Lions Club regarding his plane restoration business, located at the Carl Folsom airport in Elba. The program sponsor for the meeting was Lion Club member L.C. Cook (left).

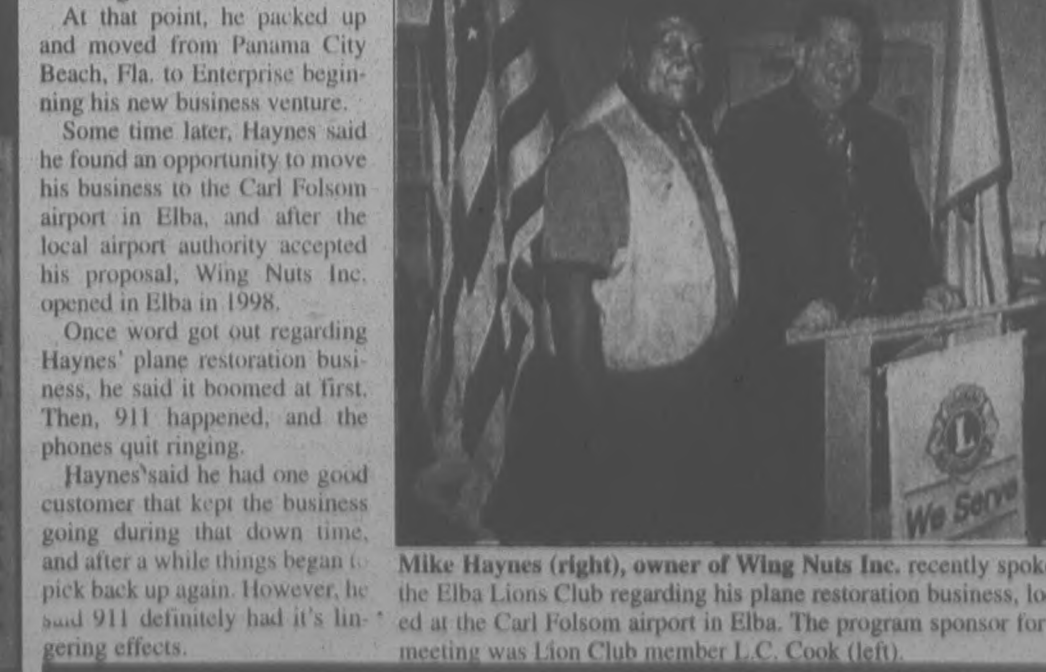
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NOTICE
Wiregrass Hospice Inc. and Zion Chapel Senior Center jointly will host a Health Fair Monday, June 27, from 9:30-5:30 p.m. inside the Zion Chapel Senior Center, located on Highway 87 (Troy Hwy), Elba.
There will be children fingerprint, DARE dog and car, blood cholesterol, blood pressure checks, grief loss, counseling, medical equipment and many other health services represented.
For more information, call Lisa Jones or Anita Cowley at 367-3353.

Area Happenings
THE COFFEE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD (ECB) will conduct its quarterly board meeting Thursday, June 30, at 6 p.m. from the community room of the county complex in New Brockton. The public is invited to attend.
THE SOUTHEAST ALABAMA BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION will hold its monthly meeting Thursday, July 7, at the Coffee County Farm Center. For more information call Elizabeth Whitaker at 334-894-2077.
ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME will be sponsoring the Elba Triquetra Classic Triquetra Support Group Meetings, every third Tuesday of each month. Meetings will start at 7 p.m. in the Hospital Conference Room. For any questions regarding the Support Group Meetings, contact Cindy Marley CDM, CFP at 334-897-2251 ext. 297 between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.



EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Technology keeps marching on. However rather than folks around our office bragging about being on the cutting edge, we confess to barely hanging on! However last Friday morning our internet connection was switched from that marvel of yesterday called "dial-up" to a dish on top of the building. Where we once sat amazed (and bragged) at the fast 56k hook ups, it had become stone age stuff. The norm had become to apologize for being so behind. Now Alaweb is coming out with "Wild Blue" which allows us to keep the same widely publicized e-mail addresses, etc. but do all our work on the web fast, fast, fast. No longer can we work a crossword, go to lunch, the post office, get a snack across the street, etc. with the excuse that our computer is tied up sending or receiving a large file. Now one can hold their breath while a single one of the megabyte plus files goes up in the southern sky and comes back down 30 to 2,000 miles away. This is reportedly the first installation of Wild Blue in the Elba area, but if it continues to work so perfectly, others can probably sign on by next month. Another plus for us is our fax line (once shared with the computers) can go back to always being available for sending or receiving a fax. The need for an additional phone line was staring our office in the face before this move.

It is almost impossible to accept the fact that number one granddaughter has turned five, but it is true, her birthday was celebrated last Saturday afternoon. The invitations suggested bathing suits and flip flops, but granddaddy opted to sit and watch with occasional trips back into the house, the air conditioner, sofa and the occasional glass of cold, cold ice tea. She is still grand and the only thing which might adjust her position on that high perch she controls is the fact of now sharing it with a two year old brother... who is equally grand.

Reports continue to come out of Montgomery that the Alabama Legislature will be in special session during the last week of July. Now the governor, who has the final say on such matters, hasn't commented either way. Recently rubbing elbows with many of the movers and shakers in that arena, we got widely varying opinions on the potential success of the General Fund Budget in such a session. In fact there is one opinion, shared by many, that it will take TWO sessions to solve the problem. The first will only serve to iron out a few of the many issues which caused the problem in the first place - namely "who is going to be in charge?", the second one will be for the General Fund Budget. Senator Lowell Barron, a Democrat, holds the spot, by virtue of strong support from his fellow party members. That support seems to be crumbling but not yet enough to topple him from the throne. However it is enough to completely confuse the state senate when Republicans and disenchanted Democrats are joined by others with a special interest they think might be better served with a leadership change. It is always interesting to watch.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, June 13, 2005, investigated the following incidents: one leaving the scene of an accident, one criminal trespassing, one criminal mischief, two for theft of property, one forgery, one promoting contraband, two for domestic violence, one vehicle accident, one found note, one assault and one dog at large.

The following arrests were made: two for harassment and one for promoting contraband. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for not wearing a seat belt, one for running a stop sign, one for loud music and one for a revoked driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:
MONDAY, JUNE 13 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 339 Brunson Circle (12:04 a.m.); River stage - 9:56 (4:41 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 930 Carver Dr. (7:21 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the scene of an accident at 1391 County Rd. 409 (9:30 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 5676 County Rd. 239 (12:07 p.m.);

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Landmark Park
to host Farmedic
Training Session

A Farmedic Training Session will be held at Landmark Park on Saturday, June 25, 2005. The session will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 noon. All Fire and Rescue members in the surrounding area are invited to attend.

The class will start inside Landmark Park auditorium. All members wishing to participate in the hands-on drill are encouraged to bring proper gear for an extrication exercise that will be held outside near the park's Agricultural Museum.

The Farmedic Training will assist Fire and Rescue departments in responding to farm accidents. The primary instructor for the class will be Brandon Moore. The contact person for the training is Bryan Harper.

The training is sponsored by the Houston County - Young Farmers. Any questions about the event contact Bryan Harper 714-5564 or 795-6316 or Landmark Park 794-3452.

The program will provide safety education to protect the farmer and the First Responders. A meal will be served at the end of the program.

SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY.The Elba Postal office joined others across the nation Saturday, May 14, in conducting its annual Carrier Food Drive. The local postal carriers asked residents to donate nonperishable foods for the drive to be donated to a local service organization. The Elba office collected approximately 2,000 pounds of nonperishable food that was donated this year to the House of Ruth. Pictured above with the donated food items are (back row, left to right) Tom Tindol, Bobby Baker, Estin Baker, Sheila Reeder, Dawn Kelley, Jeanette Donaldson and a representative from the House of Ruth. (front row, left to right) Clint Tindol, Melissa Beckworth and Cathy Carpenter.

Cupit completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Airman Apprentice James K. Cupit, a 2004 graduate of New Brockton High School, New Brockton, Ala., recently completed U.S. Navy basic training and was honorably promoted to his current rank at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Cupit completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to use this public forum to comment on the retirement of an educator. There are many who leave the ranks each year, but this year marks the end for one of the most special to have spent time in Coffee County. Rachel Bryan is retiring after many years of service at Zion Chapel. There is no doubt that our campus is a much better place for her having been there, and a much worse for her being gone.

It must be a great feeling to know that you have touched so many lives in a positive way. From the classroom to yearbook editor to FBLA sponsor to senior class sponsor, she has played a big part in the education and growth of so many young people at Zion Chapel.

Of the four of us in our family, three of us have had the pleasure of being a student of Ms. Bryan. My wife, Sheila and myself were students in the late 1970s and I had the privilege of working on the yearbook staff for two years. Our daughter Lindsay has had the pleasure of being in her classes and being a member of her award winning FBLA program for the last few years. My only regret is that Logan, our youngest, will miss having been in her care by one year.

I was fortunate enough to sit down with Ms. Bryan (she will never be Rachel to me, no matter how old I get) and chat a few minutes today. It is sometimes easier to see things as you get older, and the one thing that I came away from that time thinking was that it was obvious what made her such an inspiring educator. It is the depth and quality of her character, wit and intelligence. A great person makes a great teacher.

Ms. Bryan, you always accuse me of picking on you and making jokes at your expense, so I will close this with one more comment. If the grammar, wording or expression of this letter is not up to standards, just remember, Ms. Herbert taught me English! I will now move the comments to her full-time.

Thanks For Everything, Kim & Sheila Leverett
Zion Chapel Class of 1980
Lindsay Leverett
Class of 2006
Logan Leverett
Class of 2010

Dear Editor:

WOW!! If you missed this event, all I can say, is you really missed an inspiring time! Crossover Ministry held its first annual Gospel Singing Event at Zion Chapel School. It was a great night and we could do nothing to slow the flow of blessings! Residents of Covington and the surrounding counties in Ala. and Fla. can attest that the atmosphere inside Crossover Ministry was charged with the All-Mighty Power of the Lord. The staff, residents

and volunteers of Crossover Ministry worked diligently in their honored task of meal preparation, maintenance of the building and grounds, and assisting visitors and performers.

All who came to the event enjoyed the day of uplifting Gospel music, testimonies, witnessing, light hearted fellowship and good food! The performers provided a variety of non-stop Gospel music from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. What can I say? Fresh Anointing, Blood Bought, Charles Mallory, Louis Kathman, Derek and Taletia Snellgrove, Messengers, Heart Desire and the Good News Quartet; they were just fantastic! Our M.C. for the event, Brother Charles Mallory from Ino Baptist Church, kept us all wanting more.

Don't miss out again. The next event will be just as empowering! Get ready to mark your calendars and be prepared for the next Gospel Singing Event at Crossover Ministry in Opp, Ala. You will come away showered with HIS blessings! Sincerely, Sherry Catrett, Opp, Ala.

Mr. Derwood Joseph Grimes, age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at his residence in Elba.

Funeral services were held June 17, 2005 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Bobby Holiday and Minister Tim Gunnells officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife: Marylene Grimes, Elba; one son: Joseph Bryan (wife, Anita) Grimes, Elba; two daughters: Elaine Hudson, Brantley, Ala.; Sharon Ziglar, Montgomery, Ala.; one brother: James Grimes, Elba; and four grandchildren.

GROVER LOMAN
Mr. Grover Loman, age 81, of Samson, Ala., died Sunday, June 12, 2005.

Funeral services were held June 15, 2005 at Piney Grove of God in Christ in Samson with Rev. James Brown officiating. Burial followed with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Willie Jewell Loman.

Survivors include his wife: Ronnie (Mable) Loman Hammond, Elba; Gerald Loman, Samson, Gregory (Sarah) Loman, Samson, John Daniel Loman, Enterprise, Ala.; Mark Anthony Loman, Montgomery, Ala.; two daughters: Lenetta Loman (Willie) Greene, Marianna, Fla.; Faye Ellen Loman, Samson; three sisters-in-law: Alpha Loman, Lathlea Loman, and Rosalee Loman Betha, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

WILLIAM DAVID REEVES
Mr. William David Reeves, age 36, of Enterprise, Ala., died Friday, June 17, 2005 at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise.

Funeral services were held June 20, 2005 at the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church with Rev. John W. Padgett officiating. Burial followed in the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

He is survived by his father: William S. Reeves, his mother: Janice Nelson Reeves, Enterprise; three sons: John Nick Reeves, Enterprise, Al and Austin Reeves, both of Daleville, Ala.; two brothers: Billy Ray Reeves, Jacksonville, Fla., and Daniel Reeves, Geneva, Ala.

Pre-need funeral planning now available at Hayes Funeral Home for details Call 897-2225

CARD OF THANKS
We the family of John Thomas Kilcrease, Sr. wish to express our up most appreciation to everyone who supported us during our time of sorrow.

Many thanks to all those who sent cards, flowers and inspiring phone calls. And a special thanks for your love and prayers during this time.

May God continue to bless you. The John Thomas Kilcrease Sr. Family. BERTIE ELLIS KILCREASE & CHILDREN 6-23-1p

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IV - THE PERFECT MAN (PG)
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Obituaries

SUSAN ALLIE CLARK

Mrs. Susan Allie Clark, age 75, of Ocala, Fla., died Sunday, June 12, 2005 at Munroe Regional Medical Center in Ocala, Fla.

Graveside services were held June 16, 2005 at Pine Level Community Cemetery with Rev. Roger Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Pine Level Community Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include her husband: Marshall Lancaster, Ocala, Fla.; two sons: Mark Kinney, Tampa, Fla.; David Clark, Hollywood, Fla.; one sister: Sallie Mac Bryan, Elba; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Mr. Grover Loman, age 81, of Samson, Ala., died Sunday, June 12, 2005.

Funeral services were held June 15, 2005 at Piney Grove of God in Christ in Samson with Rev. James Brown officiating. Burial followed with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Willie Jewell Loman.

Survivors include his wife: Ronnie (Mable) Loman Hammond, Elba; Gerald Loman, Samson, Gregory (Sarah) Loman, Samson, John Daniel Loman, Enterprise, Ala.; Mark Anthony Loman, Montgomery, Ala.; two daughters: Lenetta Loman (Willie) Greene, Marianna, Fla.; Faye Ellen Loman, Samson; three sisters-in-law: Alpha Loman, Lathlea Loman, and Rosalee Loman Betha, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

WILLIAM DAVID REEVES
Mr. William David Reeves, age 36, of Enterprise, Ala., died Friday, June 17, 2005 at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise.

Funeral services were held June 20, 2005 at the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church with Rev. John W. Padgett officiating. Burial followed in the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

He is survived by his father: William S. Reeves, his mother: Janice Nelson Reeves, Enterprise; three sons: John Nick Reeves, Enterprise, Al and Austin Reeves, both of Daleville, Ala.; two brothers: Billy Ray Reeves, Jacksonville, Fla., and Daniel Reeves, Geneva, Ala.

Pre-need funeral planning now available at Hayes Funeral Home for details Call 897-2225

CARD OF THANKS
We the family of John Thomas Kilcrease, Sr. wish to express our up most appreciation to everyone who supported us during our time of sorrow.

Many thanks to all those who sent cards, flowers and inspiring phone calls. And a special thanks for your love and prayers during this time.

May God continue to bless you. The John Thomas Kilcrease Sr. Family. BERTIE ELLIS KILCREASE & CHILDREN 6-23-1p

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Card of Thanks
The family of Margaret Phelps Barnes wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude towards everyone whom showed us support during our great loss.

We appreciated all the cards, plants, food and other expressions of sympathy during our time of grief.

Included in our gratitude are the members of the Enterprise Quilter's Guild, the Alabama Highwaymen, the Class of 1959 and several churches of the Wiregrass area.

May God Bless You All

In Loving Remembrance of
Bennie D. Blackman
June 27, 2001-June 27, 2005

Memories Of Dad
How well I do remember
Standing at my father's knee
And all the fun and happy times
as he was raising me.

How well I do remember
the love we always shared
And all the things he said and did
That showed he really cared.

How well I do remember
The day God called him home
Dad slipped into His loving arms
And I felt so all alone.

Now my heart will carry memories
of the love he gave to me
Until we meet again in Heaven
Where the best is yet to be.

Juanetta & Felton Stewart
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Carolyn Brackney

Vacation Bible School
at
Newbia Baptist Church

Coffee County Road 330

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

Basin Baptist Church' to hold patriotic celebration on Saturday, July 2nd

Basin Baptist Church will host a patriotic celebration at the church Saturday, July 2, beginning at 6 p.m.

Bluegrass gospel music will be provided by the Wilkerson Family. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fun, food, fellowship, fireworks and music. It is a bring your own fireworks and lawn chair event.

Basin Baptist Church is located about six miles south of Elba on Highway 189. For more information, call 897-3828. Nathan Carroll is pastor.

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****THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU:** The Finn, Hammond, Wilkerson, Blackman and Scioniers Families; Lizzie Tyson, Diane Coleman, Kathy Luckett, Mark Calvin, Bettye Burks, Johnnie Ruth Belcher, Amanda Plain

****JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:** Samantha Williams - June 21, A.J. & Sam Stenderine - June 24 (W.A.), Lucinda Carpenter - June 24; Juan Carpenter - June 24; Latoya Culver - June 25; James Starks, Sr. - June 25; Ethel Horstead - June 25; Camella Rayborn - June 25; Amber Ellison - June 26; James Coleman - June 26

****CARPENTER FAMILY REUNION:** The 2005 Carpenter Family Reunion will be held on July 1, 2, and 3rd. This years activities will begin on July 1 in Montgomery, Ala. at 7 p.m. at the Comfort Suites Hotel with a "Meet and Greet". On July 2 the family breakfast and a tour of the Black Historical sites in Montgomery. On July 3rd the Annual Church service will be held at the Rocky Head MB Church, Elba, Ala.

****38TH ANNUAL YOUTH RALLY:** The 38th Annual Youth Rally of the Mulberry Baptist District to be held at the Mulberry Education Building on Hwy 84, Elba on June 25, 2005 at 9 a.m. Saturday morning. The theme is Youth in Action - (Psalm 51:12). All youth bring Bible.

****ANNUAL REVIVAL:** Shady Grove African Methodist Episcopal Church in Elba there will be an Annual Revival, July 27 - July 1, 2005 at 7:15 p.m. nightly. Rev. Johnny Lawrence will be the Evangelist. All churches are welcome.

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Richard Thorn, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Nathan Carroll, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Eddie Phillips-Copes, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor
Sunday School.....11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class.....6:30 p.m.

BUFFY SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School.....11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN GOSPEL METHODIST
Rev. Martha Baxter
Church Service.....9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
L. H. Hill, Minister
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Mark Gray, Pastor
Bible Study.....9:00 a.m.
Fellowship.....9:45 a.m.
Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities.....6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Hubert McWaters
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Don Grantham
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

ELBA BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Bible Study.....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service.....7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Pastor Rev. Billy Redd
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service.....6:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Rev. Roger Miller
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lorell Martie, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.

Newbia Baptist Church Vacation Bible School to begin on June 27

Newbia Baptist Church, located on Coffee County Road 330, will hold Vacation Bible School for all ages Monday, June 27, through Friday, July 1, from 6-8:30 p.m. nightly. The theme will be "Ramblin' Road Trip - Which Way Do I Go". Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

Gospel Singing will be held at Tarentum Community Center on Saturday June 25th

The Singing Dyess Family, from Opp, Ala. Heaven Scent of Bainbridge, Ga. and Messengers of Grace of Defunisk Springs, Fla. will be in concert Saturday, June 25, 2005 at Tarentum Community Center, located on Hwy 87 North.

Lake City Quartet to be in concert at Elba Church of God on Sunday evening June 26th

Lake City Quartet will be singing at the Elba Church of God Sunday Evening, June 26th at 6:00 PM. This same Quartet was in concert here nine months ago. Anyone who likes

Community 4th of July Celebration planned at Zion Chapel Baptist Church

Zion Chapel Baptist Church on Hwy 87 North will celebrate the 4th of July on Monday, July 4th from 10am to 2pm. It's free and open to the entire community. Fun for children and adults includes plenty of food, live

Whitewater Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School dates to be June 26-July 1

Whitewater Baptist Church of Elba will hold Vacation Bible School June 26 through July 1 from 5:30-8 p.m. Children ages 3 years through sixth grade are invited to attend.

Camp Ground Capers (pre-registration and kick off) will be held Saturday, June 25, from 11:30-3 a.m.

Family Night will be Friday, July 1, at 5:30 p.m.

VBS at New Life Baptist Assembly Church scheduled for June 26-29

Come on a road trip with us at Vacation Bible School at New Life Baptist Assembly, located just below Perry's Store.

Vacation Bible School will be held Sunday, June 26, through Wednesday, June 29, on

Gospel Singing set at Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church

A Gospel Singing will be held at Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church on Saturday, June 25, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The guest singing group will be "The Old Southern Gospel." Everyone is invited to attend.



Enterprise-Ozark Community College's Division of Social Sciences recognized the most outstanding child development student recently during the Thirty-second Annual Honors Assembly held at the Enterprise Campus. Pictured from left to right are Jo-ann M. Hunt of New Brockton and EOCC child development instructor Cynthia Covington.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Stanley Carter
Elba United Methodist Church

If you get to thinking about it, in 30, 40, or 50 years, we will meet a person down the road. Whether that person will be kind and loving or mean and hateful depends on what we do today. If we live selfishly, this person will be self-centered and spiteful. But if we open our life to Christ and live a life for others, this person will be kind and generous.

This someone whom we will meet down the road someday is ourself. The person we will be tomorrow depends on the life we live today. Everyday we are becoming more and more like ourselves will be down the road. Make sure the person we are becoming is someone whom we will enjoy being around. We will have the rest of our lives to be around this person and so will others.

Elba Church of Christ Vacation Bible School date is June 25th

Vacation Bible School for Elba Church of Christ is set for Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. This is for children ages 3-12. The theme is Anchors

Vanderbilt Holiness Church to host Gospel Singing on Saturday, June 25th

There will be a Gospel Sing at Vanderbilt Holiness Church Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 6 p.m. This event will be featuring the Wilkerson Family from Spring Hill, Ala. This church is

located on Coffee County Rd. 114 about one mile past Southland (Wayne Farms). Everyone is invited to attend. For more information call 894-5021 or 347-0569.

Church Directory

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Ashley Faulk, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Fred Fowler, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Tony Dye, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Larry Grimes, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

MULBERRY 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Elbert Smith, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Duane Delmain, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Rev. Charles Newman, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

NEW LIFE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

PRAISE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

RIVER OF LIFE WORSHIP CENTER
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

ROTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE A.M.E. CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

SILVER SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

SUNSHINE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Rev. Earl Smith
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

WHITWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

WOOLLEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH
Rev. Ray Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

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LIFESTYLES



Pictured L to R: Donna Clark, Lavinia Helms, Marie Koach

UDC honors Lavinia Helms

Lavinia Helms was honored by the General Edmund Winchester Rucker Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for her contributions to the preservation of history. Mrs. Helms worked diligently on the committee and gave many volunteer hours collecting, editing, and organizing articles for the book, The Heritage of Coffee County, Alabama. She also assisted with the Geneva County Heritage book. Mrs. Helms coauthored a book on the history of the community of Coffee Springs, Alabama. Being a charter member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Enterprise she was highly qualified to assist with the writing of the history of that church. Mrs. Helms has also published a collection of church records of Southeast Alabama. Each Monday afternoon she faithfully volunteers her time at the Joe River Historical Society Gift Shop and Library.

For her civic contributions in preserving the history of Coffee County and the surrounding area, Mrs. Helms was awarded the Judah P. Benjamin Award by the United Daughters of the Confederacy. This award is named in memory of the contributions of the great Confederate statesman Judah Philip Benjamin.

It has been said, "We can't know where we are going until we know where we have been." Our future lies in the remembering and the understanding of our past. Without Mrs. Helms and others who preserve history, it would be lost to us forever.

The award was presented to Mrs. Helms by Chapter president, Donna Clark and Chairman of the Judah P. Benjamin Committee, Marie Koach. Chapter members and guests attending the luncheon meeting were, James Carl and Lavinia Helms, Steve and Marie Koach, and Siegen Smith of Enterprise, Shirley and Jim Edberg of New Brockton, Donna Clark, Nancy and Marion Brunson of Elba, and Harriett, Anna Cain, and Mammie Mathews of Ozark.

Miss Essence Pageant date set for July 22 in Enterprise

A Miss Essence Pageant will be held Friday, July 22, 2005 at Enterprise Civic Center in Enterprise, Ala. There are four categories: Future Miss, Little Miss (Grades K-3), Junior Miss (Grades 5-7), and Miss Essence (Grades 8-12).

There will be a mandatory meeting on June 30 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church, Enterprise. The \$20 registration fee will be due at this time.

For more information contact ConTina Caldwell, Director at 897-0977 or Tammy Boothe, President 347-7010.

NEW ARRIVALS

CAIDENCE LEA RICHARDSON

Joelle B. and Johnny Richardson of Opp announce the birth of their daughter, Caidence Lea Richardson.

She was born June 14, 2005, at Mizell Memorial Hospital in Opp. She weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Tony and Kaye McKinney of Opp. Paternal grandparents are Patricia Cauley and Tom Cauley of Opp and Johnny Richardson of Elba.

JABAARI LAMOR HILL

Keisha Wilkerson and Zachary Hill of Elba announce the birth of their son, Jabari Lamor Hill.

He was born June 8, 2005, at Mizell Memorial Hospital in Opp. He weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Anna Wilkerson and Willie Austin of Opp. Paternal grandparents are Dorothy Hill and E.H. Hill of Elba.



OUTSTANDING ENGLISH, FOREIGN LANGUAGES, and Communication students were recognized recently during Enterprise-Ozark Community College's Thirty-second Annual Honors Assembly at the Enterprise Campus. Pictured from left to right are EOCC department chairperson Dr. Scott Smith, distinguished English student certificate recipients John E. Hoover, Jr. of Enterprise, Amanda C. Howell of Slosscomb, and Rosemary O. Spivey of Enterprise, followed by most outstanding English student plaque recipient Denver E. Sasser of New Brockton, and certificate recipient Rosemary O. Spivey of Enterprise. Not pictured are certificate recipients Tiffany Shea of New Brockton and Amy J. Taylor of Enterprise.

John Blount is one year old

John Blount, son of Stephen and Tiffany Harper Blount, turned one year old on June 4, 2005. He celebrated his first birthday with his big sister, Harper, Uncle Jay of Washington, D.C. and other family members at the family cottage, Santa Monica Beach, Panama City, Fla.

Winnie-the-Pooh party theme was utilized for the birthday cake, table cloth, napkins and party favors. Refreshments included cake, ice cream and juice.

Grandparents in Elba are Gloria and John Harper.

Tri-State Community Orchestra to be in concert Friday, July 1

The Tri-State Community Orchestra presents "THE HOUSE THAT MUSIC BUILT" PATRIOTIC CONCERT and LASER LIGHT SHOW to be held on Friday, July 1, at the Wiregrass Art Museum's Millennium Park. Gates open with entertainment at 6 p.m. and the concert will begin at 7 p.m. Special guests include the Friends Choir and Beulah Land Christian Academy Choir. General admission is \$2.00 with proceeds benefiting Wiregrass Habitat for Humanity. Call 699-2787 or 792-8453 for more information.

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GRADE 2
Courtney Madison K., Alexis Faith Carroll, Kristian Faith Dewberry, Christian Jordan Faulk, Madison Renee Grissitt, Karl Meschelle Hurd, Stephanie Denise Kirkland, Macy Anne McIntosh, Drew Tyler Rhoden, Zachariah Paul David Smith, Marisa Katelyn Wambles, Zachary Quenton Whittington, Savannah Victoria Williamson.

GRADE 3
Jennisa Marie Allen, Kahla LeAnn Allen, Michael Anthony DeSandro, Kelsa Taylor Fillingim, Hillary Kay Goodson, Kailly Alizabeth Jernigan, Leonel Angel Lozano, Sydney Brooke Manning, Heidi Katherine McLeod, Melissa Renee Moore, Angela Caitlyn Napper, Amber Whitney Rugg, James Dalton Sikes, Jacob Scott Smith, Nathan Hunter Snow.

GRADE 4
Heather Brittany Brunson, Mikala Nicole Burk, Katherine Elizabeth Carney, Gage Cotton Cowart, Lauren Emily Knighten, Stephanie Lane Whittington.

GRADE 5
Larson Farris Amlog, Ashleigh Dawn DeSandro, Huey Maynard Green, Matthew Ryan Griffith, Courtney Michelle Napper, Catherine Catherine Nelson, Sindi Jo Paul, Joshua Caleb Walden.

A-B HONOR ROLL

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Riley Nicole Boothe, Blake Austin Cardwell, Hailey Ann Finger, Houston Blake Hill.

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Barnett, Jill - Wild Brown, Dale - Act of War
Buchanan, Edna - Shadows
Evanovich, Janet - Eleven on Top
Hosseini, Khaled - The Kite Runner
Howard, Linda - Killing Time
Kidd, Sue Monk - The Mermaid Chair
King, Cassandra - Making Waves
Lindsey, Johanna - Marriage Most Scandalous
Rice, Luann - Summer of Roses

LARGE PRINT FICTION

Barnett, Jill - Wild

Nonfiction

Cameron, Stella - Moonrise
Farmer, Jerrylyn - The Flaming Luau of Death
Wheeler, Katherine Hall - The Body in the Moonlight
Steel, Danielle - Five Days in Paris
Thomas, Jodi - A Texan's Luck
Wiggs, Susan - The Firebrand
LARGE PRINT WESTERNS
Brand, Max - Mountain Storms
Cotton, Ralph - Dead Man's Canyon
Gorman, Ed - The Sharpshooter
Hogan, Ray - The Jenner Guns
Nye, Nelson - The Last Chance Kid
Patten, Lewis - Vengeance Rider

Nonfiction

Thomas, Jodi - A Texan's Luck
West, Joseph A. - Ralph Compton: Blood and Gold
Wheeler, Katherine Hall - The Body in the Moonlight
LARGE PRINT CHRISTIAN FICTION
Copeland, Lori - Marrying Walker McKay
Holder, Mary Kate - Second Chance Mom
Hunt, Danni - Heart Under Construction
Martin, Gail Gaymer - Loving Feelings
NONFICTION
Fantastic: The Life of Arnold Schwarzenegger
Cline, Marguerite Thigpen - I've Been Thinking (Poetry)

Killebrew named to Atlanta Fed advisory council

The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta has appointed six new members to the Bank's Small Business, Agriculture and Labor Advisory Council, according to Jack Gwynn, president and chief executive officer of the Atlanta Fed. Representing the Alabama Region is Lester Howard Killebrew, executive officer of Henry Farm Center Inc.

Killebrew is a third-generation farmer with three locations in Alabama, and ValCom, a communications and information systems company with five locations. Killebrew lives in Abbeville, Ala.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta established its Small Business, Agriculture and Labor Advisory Council in 1985 to ensure ongoing communications between small business, agriculture, labor, the Atlanta Fed and, ultimately, the Federal Reserve System. "Small business, agriculture and labor are vital pieces of the economy in the Southeast," said Gwynn.

"Understanding the issues they face provides the Atlanta Fed with valuable insight into the Southeastern economy," The Atlanta Fed strives to identify members who represent an array of industries from throughout the Sixth Federal Reserve District. The terms for these new members run through Dec. 31, 2007.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta serves the Sixth Federal Reserve District, which encompasses Alabama, Florida, Georgia and sections of Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. As part of the nation's central banking system, the Atlanta Fed participates in setting national monetary policy, supervises numerous commercial banks and provides a variety of financial services to depository institutions and the U.S. government.

City of Brundidge plans to honor local guard unit during special celebration

The City of Brundidge has a valid explanation for holding a special 50th Anniversary celebration nearly two years late. The intended honorees, all members of the Alabama Army Guard's 900th Maintenance Company, were away from home station in 2003 on active duty in our nation's war on terrorism.

This year's Independence Day Parade in Brundidge on June 25 will honor the Guard unit for 50 years of service to its state and nation. The first Guard unit was organized in Brundidge in November 1953, with retired Col. Lawrence Bowden as the commander.

"We were going to have a 50-year reunion for the 900th in 2003, but the unit had been activated, so we had to postpone it," Bowden said. "It's been nearly 52 years now, but we'll still going to be recognizing 50 years of service."

Bowden said anyone who has been a member of the 900th since 1953 is invited to take part in this special event. A parade through downtown will begin the festivities and a special recognition ceremony will follow. All Guard members and their families present will then be treated to lunch under a large tent, hosted by the City of Brundidge.

Fort Rucker's 98th Army Band will provide music in the parade and for the recognition ceremony. An honored guest will be Maj. Gen. Edwin Wright of Ozark, commander of Land Forces in the Alabama National Guard.

Bowden urged all former members of the 900th to take part in the day.

"We will meet and register near the maintenance shop at Fort Wendell K. Turner armory on Hwy. 231 not later than 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, June 25," he said. "Members who register will be issued a commemorative cap and then take part in the parade. After dropping former members off at the armory, family members will move downtown to view the parade."

SCHOOLS

National Security Group awards cash scholarships

The National Security Group (NSG) has a firm belief in the necessity of a quality education to ensure success. To that end, the group established the National Security Group Scholarship.

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KINSTON SCHOOL HELD KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

On Tuesday, May 31, in the high school auditorium, Mrs. Sherri Weeks and Mrs. Linton, the kindergarten teachers, had worked with the students to present a musical medley of kindergarten songs for the parents and guests. Each of the kindergarten students were then presented a diploma by principal, Mark Coale.

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Views From....
THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Every night when I go to bed I pray to "Our Father" and understand that he is indeed the #1 father of us all. However, here on earth there is no doubt the biggest impact on my life came from my father, who passed away several years ago, but is still very much in my thoughts and prayers and is someone I miss daily. As I meet the hardships that occur almost daily in my life and the lives of my family I often think about what my Dad would do, and realize more and more just how special he really was. I still remember how he looked in the pre-op ward as he waited for his third heart operation and the state of shock we were all in when we were told he had passed away on the operating table. It is a loss I will never get over, but I did give him a kiss and tell him I loved him the last time I saw him alive, and I just hope he knew how much I meant those words. Father's Day to me isn't about receiving gifts from my children, is about stopping to think and remember my Dad.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** Elba will have a total of five All-Star teams hit the field this week to compete in tournament action and even though the Elba teams won't be favored to win any of the events, the players and coaches have all worked hard and there is no doubt they will represent our city very well. In baseball action the Dixie Minor All-Stars will play here in Elba at Legion Field, while the Dixie Youth All-Stars will travel to Troy and the Dixie Boys All-Stars will head up to Luverne. In softball action the Dixie Ponytails All-Stars will also make the trip up to Luverne, while the Dixie Belles will host their tournament at the Elba High School softball field. I know it has been hot and the bugs are really a pest this time of the summer. However, I urge all Elba fans to take a fan, some bug spray and head out to one of the tournaments to cheer on our youngsters. Let me hear you cheer!

*** Word broke late last week that New Brockton head basketball coach Glen Johnson had resigned to accept a similar post at Elba High School. Coach Johnson is an Elba High grad that played all sports as a Tiger, and here is absolutely no doubt he will be a valuable addition to the Elba High family. With his experience coaching and playing all sports, Coach Johnson would also be a nice fit as an assistant in football and baseball. Yep, this is a hire that should pay dividends.

*** This is the second year Elba has fielded an All-Star team in Coach-Pitch Baseball and over the last two weeks the All-Stars have made some noise in tournaments. In Slocomb and Rehobeth, The All-Stars posted wins over Headland, Dothan and Chipley, Florida. In the two events, and in the tournament action Matthew Marler and Ty Stewart have both hit home-runs that sailed over the outfield fence. Changes have been made in the coach-pitch league over the past two years aimed at making the players better prepared to move on and it looks like those changes have worked. Good luck All-Stars and keep up the good work.

*** In closing... If you think the student-athletes at Elba High enjoy a long break in the summer you are very wrong. Members of the football team and volleyball team work out four days a week at the school to stay in shape for the coming season, and the members of the football team have camps set that will include competition against area teams. Being a student-athlete has always been a sacrifice, but now it even means giving up ones summer. That is dedication!

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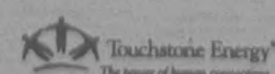


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It's tournament time for Elba All-Stars

Dixie Minor All-Stars to
host 5-team tournament

The Elba Dixie Minor All-Stars will host the 2005 District 9, Sub-District 1 Baseball Tournament on Saturday, June 25, through Friday, July 1, at Legion Field, with five teams competing for the right to move on to District Tournament action.

The Elba All-Stars include JonAshley Amison, Logan Bailey, Hayden Disotell, Kyson Edwards, Harry Griffin, Austin Johnson, Justin Kidd, Nathan Miller, Jordan McDaniel, Justin Pope, Ashton Senn, Garrett Smith and Hayes Spicer, while the coaches are Greg Bailey, Roger Miller and Terry Spicer. The tournament bracket is as follows:

SATURDAY, JUNE 25
(Game 1) 6:00 - Kinston vs. Enterprise
(Game 2) 8:00 - Troy vs. Enterprise

MONDAY, JUNE 27
(Game 3) 6:00 - Elba vs. Game 1 winner
(Game 4) 8:00 - Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser

TUESDAY, JUNE 28
(Game 5) 6:00 - Game 4 winner vs. Game 3 loser
(Game 6) 8:00 - Game 3 winner vs. Game 2 winner

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29
(Game 7) 6:00 - Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 loser

THURSDAY, JUNE 30
(Game 8) 6:00 - Game 7 winner vs. Game 6 winner

FRIDAY, JULY 1
(Game 9) 6:00 - If needed

**Troy University to
host baseball
camp July 13**

Troy University will host the Bobby Pierce Troy University Baseball Camp Wednesday, July 13, at the Doug Tew Recreation Center in Dothan. Girls and boys ages 6 to 13 are invited to participate.

During the one-day camp, Troy University Head Baseball Coach Bobby Pierce and his coaching staff will help campers improve their hitting, fielding, catching and throwing skills. The morning session, which runs from 8-11:30 a.m., is designed for children ages 6 through 9. From 1-4 p.m., children ages 10 through 13 will learn to improve their game. There is a registration fee. Campers must provide proof of medical insurance. To sign up, contact Amy Farver at 983-6556, ext. 202.

JUNE 25 - JULY 1
Elba Dixie Minor All-Stars, In Elba
JUNE 25 - JULY 1
Elba Dixie Youth All-Stars, In Troy
JUNE 24 - JUNE 30
Elba Dixie Boys All-Stars, In Luverne
JUNE 23 - JUNE 29
Elba Dixie Ponytails All-Stars, In Luverne
JUNE 23 - JUNE 29
Elba Dixie Belles All-Stars, In Elba

Dixie Belles All-Stars to host softball tournament

The Elba All-Stars will host the 2005 Dixie Belles Softball Tournament on June 23 - June 29 at the Elba High School softball field with a total of five teams competing for the right to advance to the District Tournament.

All-Star team members include Megan Anderson, Brandy Caldwell, Ashley Cooks, Chessie Cross, April Findore, Janie Hall, Cucchie Hudson, Toshamba Jones, Cortlin Lee, Kelsey Sladky, Sonya Dodd and Allie Ware. Coaches are Ronnie Caldwell, Carl Ware and Shelby Hall. Tournament brackets are as follows:

THURSDAY, JUNE 23
(Game 1) 5:30 - Greenville vs. Andalusia

Dixie Ponytails All-Stars on the road to Luverne

The Elba Dixie Ponytails All-Stars will travel to Luverne this week to compete in the District 6 Sub-District 1 Dixie Ponytails All-Star Softball Tournament, in Luverne, with a total of seven teams competing for the right to advance to the District Tournament.

All-Star team members include Sydney Williamson, Bethany Wilson, Jacquetta Whittaker, Sarah Bane, Kelli Bihrens, Rebecca Hodge, Paige Gibson, Lindsey Camley, Molly McGuire, Corneae Driggers, Kayla Hurd and Brianna Jackson, with the coaches being Mike Camley, Kim Bane and Tommy Gibson.

The Elba All-Stars will begin tournament play on Thursday, June 23, against Brantley, while other teams in the tournament include Andalusia, Covington County, Greenville, Highland Home and Luverne.

Record moves to 11-6

West Coffee wins two and loses two

The West Coffee Dixie Pre-Majors baseball team had a busy week of action last week and posted two wins and two losses to push their record to 11-6 on the season.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

E'PRISE ROCKIES 10 WEST COFFEE 5

West Coffee fell behind early and never recovered in a 10-5 loss to the Enterprise Rockies, last Monday night in Enterprise. West Coffee jumped out to an early 1-0 lead on singles by Don Rhoades and Stephen Driggers and regained the lead at 2-1 in the top of the second when Aaron Jacobs walked and later scored on a fielder's choice by Chase Boutwell. Enterprise combined 4 hits and 4 walks in the bottom of the second to move ahead 6-2 and never looked back to claim the win.

Stephen Driggers had 2 hits to lead West Coffee at the plate, while Don Rhoades had 1 hit and scored 2 runs, Aaron Jacobs had 1 hit and scored 1 run and John Wayne Lambert, Shane Adkison and Harry White all added 1 hit.

WEST COFFEE 13 E'PRISE RED SOX 4

West Coffee carried a slim 1-0 lead into the third inning, but broke loose for 8 runs in the top of the third to take command and rolled to a 13-4 win over the Enterprise Red Sox, last Monday night in Enterprise. West Coffee jumped out to an early 1-0 lead when Don Rhoades walked and later raced home on an rbi double by Stephen Driggers, but West Coffee failed to score in the second and carried the slim 1-0 lead into the third. West Coffee came to life at the plate in the top of the eighth, when Jeremy Sneed drew a lead-off walk and raced home on a one-out double by Chase Perkins. Shane Adkison had 3 hits to lead West Coffee at the plate, while Stephen Driggers had 2 hits and scored 1 run, Aaron Jacobs added 1 hit and scored 2 runs and Jacob Forbes, Aaron Jacobs, Jeremy Sneed and Chase Boutwell all added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Don Rhoades scored 3 runs and Casey Grantham scored 2 runs. Stephen Driggers got the win on the mound as he pitched five innings and allowed 4 runs (no earned runs) on 5 hits and struck out 4 batters.

WEST COFFEE 4 DALEVILLE 3

West Coffee averaged an early season loss by posting a wild 4-3 eight-inning win over Daleville, last Tuesday night in Daleville. West Coffee grabbed an early 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning when Shane Adkison and Aaron Jacobs delivered back-to-back rbi singles, and then regained the lead at 3-2 in the fourth when Don Rhoades singled and later scored on an rbi single by Stephen Driggers. Daleville scored in the bottom of the fourth to pull even at 3-3 and that is how it remained until the top of the eighth, when Jeremy Sneed drew a lead-off walk and raced home on a one-out double by Chase Perkins. Shane Adkison had 3 hits to lead West Coffee at the plate, while Stephen Driggers had 2 hits and scored 1 run, Aaron Jacobs added 2 hits, Don Rhoades had 1 hit and scored 2 runs and Chase Perkins had one hit.

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E'PRISE BRAVES 4 WEST COFFEE 3

West Coffee closed out the week's action on Thursday night in Elba and dropped a 4-3 decision to the Enterprise Braves. West Coffee scored one run in the bottom of the third inning on an rbi single by Zach Stevens to cut the Enterprise lead to 2-1, but saw Enterprise add two runs in the top of the fifth to move out to a 4-1 advantage. Chase Boutwell drew a walk and later scored on an error to pull West Coffee to within 4-2 in the bottom of the fifth, and closed to within 4-3 in the sixth when Shane Adkison doubled and later scored on a single by Chase Boutwell. West Coffee loaded the bases with two outs in the seventh inning, but failed to score and took the loss 4-3.

Shane Adkison and Chase Boutwell both had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead West Coffee, while Stephen Driggers, Jeremy Sneed and Zach Stevens all had 1 hit. Stephen Driggers was tagged with the loss on the mound as he allowed 4 earned runs on 7 hits, while striking out 4 batters.

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SPORTS

Super 12 pick for 3rd straight year

Stephanie Baxley named "Player of the Year"

The Dothan Eagle announced its annual "Super 12" high school softball teams last week and included on the honored list in the small school division were Elba's Stephanie Baxley and Kinston's Kaleigh Sanders.

Baxley, a junior at Elba High School, was named to the Super 12 squad for the third straight year and was named the "Player of the Year" in the small school division. She compiled a 22-10 record for the Lady Tigers during the 2005 season and posted an earned run average of 0.79 in 22 innings of work and struck out 387 batters for an average of 12 strike-outs per game. She also tossed seven shut-outs and pitched a perfect game in the opening round of region competition. At the plate, Baxley batted .283.

Sanders, a sophomore, posted an 11-6 record as a pitcher for the Lady Bulldogs and compiled a 1.46 earned run average with 147 strike-outs. At the plate she batted .338 with 27 rbi's and 17 runs scored.

Following is the complete list of "Super 12" selections for both the small school and large school divisions:

SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Stephanie Baxley, Elba, Junior, Pitcher
Haley Herring, Geneva County, Sophomore, Catcher
Casey Greathouse, Geneva County, Sophomore, Pitcher/3rd

Miranda Grider, G.W. Long, Senior, Centerfield
Natalie Mayor, Houston Academy, Senior, Catcher
Lexi Phillips, Arton, Freshman, Senior, Centerfield

Kaleigh Sanders, Kinston, Sophomore, Pitcher
Carly Lundy, Pleasant Home, Senior, Rightfield
Emily Jimmerson, Lakeside, Sophomore, Pitcher
Nicole Ward, Bethlehem, Senior, Pitcher
Victoria Blue, Northside Methodist, Sophomore, Pitcher
Tasha Elmore, Ashford Academy, Junior, Catcher/Shortstop
Autumn Welch, Charles Baxley, Elba, Senior, Pitcher/Outfield
Coach of the Year - J. Grant, Lakeside

LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Allie Park, Charles Henderson, Senior, Pitcher/Centerfield
Nicole Walker, Dothan, Junior, Pitcher/2nd Base
Ashley Hilton, Enterprise, Senior, Centerfield

Carly Coker, Northview, Junior, 2nd Base
Clair Goodson, Charles Henderson, Senior, 3rd Base/Outfield
Hannah Reynolds, Andalusia, Sophomore, Pitcher/Outfield
Kayla Gordon, Ashford, Junior, Pitcher/3rd Base
Brittany Ray, Ashford, Senior, Shortstop
Tabitha Jenkins, Geneva, Junior, Catcher
Autumn Welch, Charles Henderson, Senior, Pitcher/Outfield
Sonquella Reynolds, Headland, Senior, 1st Base
Jordan McAllister, Slocomb, Freshman, Pitcher
Player of the Year - Allie Park, Charles Henderson
Coach of the Year - Wayne Baker, Andalusia

Elba Coach-Pitch baseball All-Stars post three wins in tourney action

The Elba Coach-Pitch All-Stars have competed in baseball



Swinging for the fence... is an Elba All-Star.
(Laura Baxley photo)

tournaments the past two weeks and have claimed a total of three wins in seven games in only the second year of All-Star action for the seven and eight-year-olds.

"I am real pleased with the play of all the youngsters and they have come together and are playing as a team," stated Coach Marty Marler. "The boys have worked hard and over the past two weeks have found out they can compete with other players their age from other towns. Last week the team showed a lot by scoring ten runs in the first extra inning in a win over Dothan and later in the tourney scored ten runs in one inning against Chipley."

The Elba All-Stars will compete this weekend in Enterprise, with action on Thursday at the Recreation Center field, and games on Friday and Saturday at the new Softball Complex.

Following are highlights of the tournament action:

SLOCOMB TOURNEY

The Elba All-Stars opened the tournament against Headland and posted a wild 24-4 action. Matthew Marler had 3 hits in the win, including two home-runs that sailed over the fence, while Tanner Hudson, Avery Hanchey, Cavosea Stinson and Shawn Carter all added 3 hits.

Second round action saw the Elba All-Stars battling Rehobeth and the locals dropped a 22-17 decision. Matthew Marler and Ty Stewart both had 3 hits and both hit home-runs over the fence in the hard fought contest, while David Bryant added 3 hits in the win, which saw Elba rally from a 17-12 deficit in the final inning with a ten run outburst.

The Elba All-Stars suffered their first loss at the hands of Ozark 14-6. Scoring for Elba in the loss were Matthew Marler, Ty Stewart, Cavosea Stinson, Stone Collins, Tanner Hudson and Avery Hanchey.

The Elba All-Stars were eliminated after a 12-4 loss to Abbeville. Scoring for the All-Stars in the loss were Matthew Marler, Ty Stewart and David Bryant.

REHOBETH TOURNEY

The Elba All-Stars opened



STEPHANIE BAXLEY...was named to the Super 12 softball team for the third straight year and named "Player of the Year" last week by *The Dothan Eagle*.
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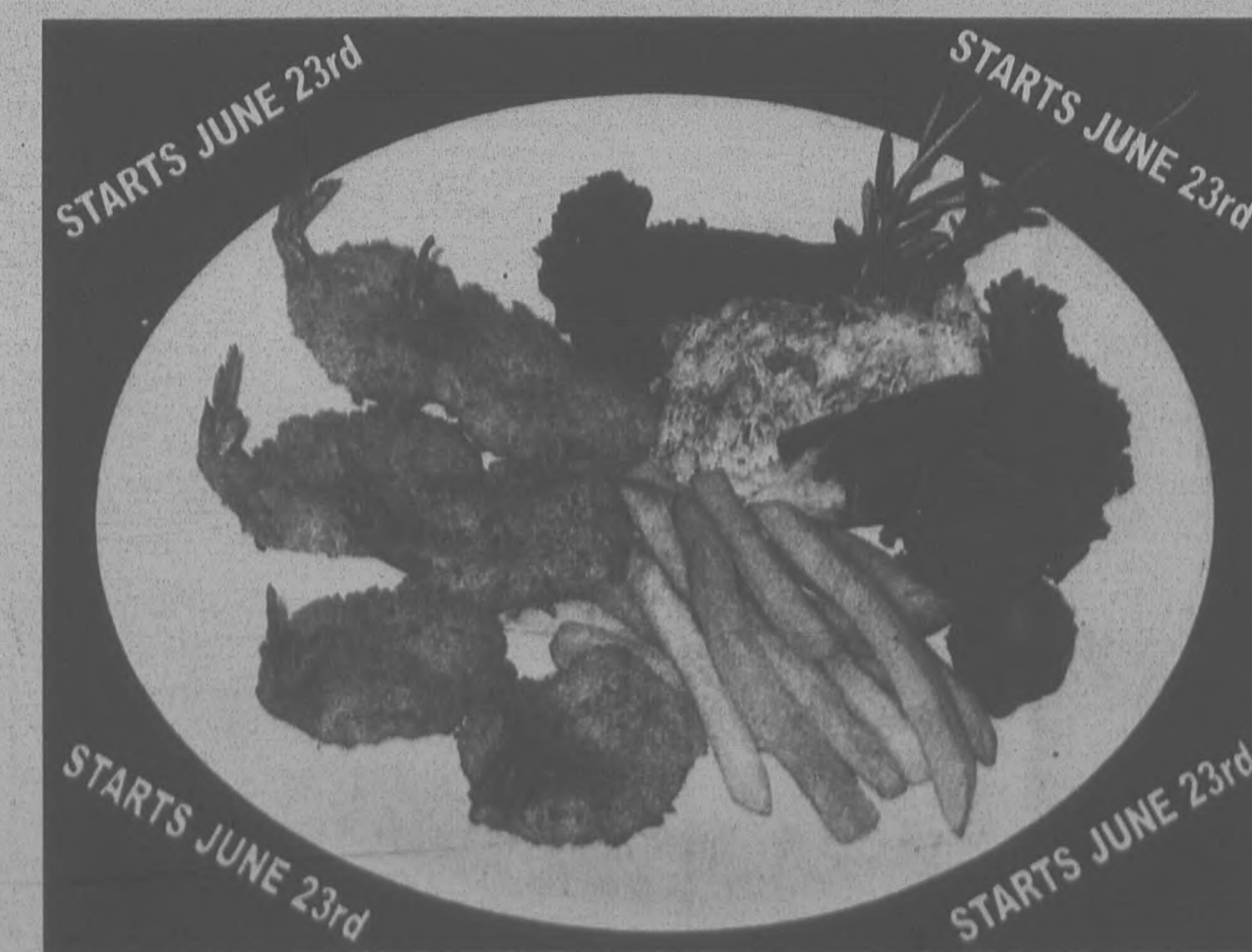
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COMMUNITY NEWS



YARD WORK ANYONE...Several employees of the Elba Postal office spent a recent Wednesday afternoon working as landscape gardeners. The employees planted flowers and shrubs around the building creating a more attractive overall look to the area. The employees caught "digging in the dirt" included (from left) Jackie Stinson, Melissa Beckworth and Sheila Reeder. Also volunteering his time was Shelby Stevens.

Governor promotes effort to send troops "book of thanks" from Alabama children

Alabama troops deployed overseas will be receiving a book containing letters of thanks and patriotic artwork from Alabama school children through a new effort announced by Governor Bob Riley.

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The book, God Bless Y'all All: Letters to Soldiers from the Children of Alabama, will be sent to our military personnel thanks to a partnership between Operation Grateful Heart and the Alabama Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"This book will serve as a great encouragement to our men and women in uniform as they bravely defend our nation," Governor Riley said.

The book is the idea of two Lauderdale County educators, Dr. Lisa Moses and Dr. Alice Yeager. They petitioned every school system in the state to participate in a project designed to help children express themselves in the wake of the September 11th terrorist attacks and the resulting War on Terror. They received more than 3,000 letters and pieces of original art-

work from Alabama students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The letters, some serious and some humorous, appear in the book exactly as they were written by children, complete with spelling and grammatical errors to preserve the integrity of the messages.

"When all of y'all get back, I'll bet you will want to take off those uniforms," one student wrote. "I bet you will want to get home and lay down and take a very long nap."

Another student drew two pictures, one a scene from a battlefield and the other showing children on a playground, with the inscription "Because you are there, we are here."

You make me proud to be an American. I know you are always there ready to stand up

Use caution during periods of excessive heat

The Alabama Department of Public Health urges the public to protect themselves during periods of excessive heat by curtailing outdoor physical activity as much as possible and by taking other precautionary measures. The danger of possible heat illness is increased in high humidity areas, such as Alabama.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that between 1979 and 1999 excessive heat exposure caused 8,015 deaths in the United States. More people in this country died from extreme heat than from hurricanes, lightning, tornadoes, floods and earthquakes combined during this period of time.

According to the health department's Center for Health Statistics, three Alabamians died from excessive heat in 2003.

The following suggestions can help protect against heat-related illness. Friends and relatives of elderly persons who live alone are advised to check frequently on them. Those without air-conditioning who live on upper floors are especially susceptible to heat buildup. Never leave any-

one in a closed, parked vehicle.

If air-conditioning is not available at home, persons should spend the hotter part of the day in air-conditioned areas, such as malls or stores. When at home, they should use wet sheets with electric fans to help circulate cool air instead of hot air. When temperatures are in the high 90s, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. Moving to an air-conditioned place is the recommended way to cool off.

For individuals whose jobs involve heavy labor, work should be carefully alternated with frequent cooling-off periods in shaded areas. Salt tablets should not be taken except upon the advice of a physician.

During extended periods in which extreme heat blankets the state, all individuals should take general precautions, such as increasing water intake, staying out of direct sunlight and avoiding strenuous physical activity. Wear lightweight, light-colored,

loose-fitting clothing. Adequate amounts of water and access to cool shelter should be available to children, the elderly and the chronically ill, as well as to persons with health problems such as heart disease and diabetes may be at greater risk for heat-related illnesses during periods of prolonged extreme heat.

Do not drink liquids that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar. These beverages actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Also, avoid very cold drinks, because they can cause stomach cramps.

Everyone should be alert for symptoms of heat-related illness, including dizziness, weakness, rapid heartbeat, throbbing headache, loss of ability to sweat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cramps and confusion. If any of these symptoms occurs, the individual should get out of the heat immediately and call for medical help without delay.



MRS. MINNIE P. FLOWERS, age 94, gets regular visits at the Elba Nursing Home from her son, Carroll. Monday morning was a great day for the two to go for a ride and visit some favorite haunts and relive fond family memories.

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Dorsey Trailers Inc. bankruptcy moves to the sealed bid process in July

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The next step in the Dorsey Trailer Inc. bankruptcy story includes a sealed bid effort to sell the company real estate, inventory, equipment (fixtures) and intellectual property. Bids for this sale effort are due in the Dorsey Trailer office in Elba by 5 p.m. on July 6th. The bids will then be opened by company attorneys at 9 a.m. on Friday, July 8th.

The company filed for bankruptcy on September 14th, 2004. Since that time there have been numerous interested parties looking at the facility, according to company officials. However there have been none of these who have presented an acceptable offer to the company owners and/or the bankruptcy court.

Tasha Dolan and Donald Sheetz said Tuesday in a one-

on-one interview that they have had several "qualified" parties expressing interest in bidding on one of the four segments: equipment, real estate, inventory or intellectual property (name, drawings, etc.). One potential buyer visited Tuesday morning (along with his banker) and two others are expected later in the week. Each appear to be serious, qualified contenders for purchase of the entire facility, Sheetz said.

The two company representatives are also fielding questions from people interested in various parts of the package. Dolan, who has been with the trailer manufacturer since it was purchased by the present owners, explained that once the bids have been opened and reviewed on Friday, they will be submitted to the bankruptcy court with a recommendation. Bidders can attend the opening or they can

be contacted following the opening with the results of their individual efforts. The court will also have recommendations from major creditors. The final decision on accepting bids will be in the hands of the bankruptcy court. That decision is expected to come within a few days of the bid opening, if bids are acceptable to the other involved parties.

Bids on the four components will be totaled and a bid on the entire package will probably have to exceed this total for someone to buy the whole thing. However the bankruptcy court has much latitude in this area, Sheetz explained.

Individuals or companies may bid on isolated parts within the four subgroups, however Sheetz thinks acceptance of such a bid on partial units is highly subjective and would be balanced against the overall package bids.

During Coffee County Commission meeting

Tax abatement approved for Wayne Farms

by Linda Hodge, Editor

With little information publicly exposed, Coffee County Commissioners voted Monday, June 27, during their regular bimonthly meeting to approve a tax abatement for an existing company within the county.

Frank Thompson, director of the Enterprise, Geneva, Coffee

Economic Development Corporation, said he did not know what the company officials would do that and report back later in the meeting.

After reaching the company officials, Thompson said waiting to take action during the next commission meeting, July 11, would be too late for the company.

However, he did say his phone call allowed him to be able to share more information regarding the issue.

Thompson said the major agriculture based company is looking to embark on an expansion project of more than \$2 million dollars that will bring more than 50 additional jobs to the county.

"I'd like to know how much tax we're abating and how much they've paid in the past," commissioner Jim Thompson said.

Thompson said the abatement would be part of an incentive package and because of the "sensitive" nature of negotiations, he was not able to mention the name of the company during Monday morning's meeting.

After a motion and second was offered to approve the tax abatement for the company, commissioner Jim Thompson offered another motion to table the issue giving commissioners more time to discuss the matter during a work session. He received a second from commissioner Robert Stephens.

Thompson said he would like to have more information before making such a decision. Commissioner Tom Grimsley asked F. Thompson if the issue also was a time sensitive matter in which a delay might be a factor with the company.

Thompson and Stephens withdrew their motion and second to table allowing commission-

ers to vote on the original motion to approve the tax abatement. This motion passed by a 5-2 vote with commissioners Doug Dalrymple, Tom Grimsley, J.L. Weeks, Linda Westbrook and Bernest Brooks voting in favor. Commissioners Jim Thompson and Robert Stephens voting against the motion.

Later in the meeting, commissioner Robert Stephens explained his reasoning for opposition. He said he believes the people of Coffee County deserve to know who, what and how much in regards to the tax abatement.

"We have people out there building \$2 million in chicken houses, and we can't approve tax abatements for them," he added.

On Tuesday morning of this week, Frank Thompson released the name of the company discussed for the tax abatement. He said Wayne Farms is planning the \$2 million expansion project, and the company will release more information within the next week.

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County's revenue commissioner presents yearly settlement report

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns attended the Monday, June 27, meeting of the Coffee County Commission to present for approval the tax settlement report for 2004.

"This is the largest tax year we've had since I've been in office for 26 years," Burns said. "This is the largest Coffee County has ever had topping the \$9 million mark for the first time."

Burns said the grand total for Coffee County, including the cities, schools and county, was \$9,132,145.11. The county's portion of that figure was \$1,978,416.56.

Commissioners approved the

settlement report by an unanimous vote.

Commissioners approved a subdivision plat for Hampton Place Phase II contingent upon approval from the City of Enterprise. The approval also called for an opinion from both the county and city attorneys that everything is in order.

County engineer Randy Tindell said the county needs to erect guard rails on County Roads 641 and 337. He said both projects are below the public works bid law which has a \$50,000 threshold.

The projects were awarded to Alabama Safety Service Corporation to erect the guard rails.

The commission's next meeting will be Monday, July 11.

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Dr. Joel Cline, director of the Bryan Taylor Diagnostic Lab, 203 Bypass, Elba, is shown with the state-of-the-art waste digester being installed in the Elba lab's new, modern facility now under construction. His hand is resting on the "cooker" while the green cylinder behind him is the boiler. This computer controlled equipment, which costs an estimated \$700,000 installed, can safely dispose of 1500 lbs. of diseased animal carcasses every six hours, according to Cline. It is one of the first such disposal units installed in the southern part of the U.S. The only other known installation in the South is at the University of Florida. There is a second Alabama installation planned for the new lab now under construction at Auburn University. The new Elba facility is scheduled to be completed sometime in August and will allow the staff to work in a better, safer environment, as well as have an increased capacity to examine animals or chickens and quickly and accurately diagnose problems. The various work stations were designed to minimize the chance of spreading any germs exposed during examination of diseased carcasses brought in by farmers. It is also designed to minimize casual spread of germs by visitors who, in the present lab, can accidentally step where diseased animal carcasses have been lying. Also attached to this facility is a conference room, furnished with equipment to allow teleconferencing with specialists and others around the world. It will be available to the public for such events. This latter part of the building will have a separate entrance, separate bathrooms and kitchenette, plus a separate heating and cooling system, again designed to prevent accidental spread of infectious germs.

Area Happenings

THE COFFEE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD will conduct its quarterly board meeting Thursday, June 30 (TODAY), at 6 p.m. from the community rooms of the county complex in New Brockton. The public is invited to attend.

THE CITY OF ELBA offices will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. There will be standby coverage in any emergency with street, sewer, electrical or water. To report an emergency, call the Elba Police Department at 497-2434. Please note the Waste Management garbage vehicle will run on Monday, July 4, as scheduled.

THE SUBSTANTIAL ALABAMA DEEPWATERS will hold its monthly meeting Thursday, July 7, at the Coffee County Civic Center. For more information call Jimmie Whitaker at 334-494-2077.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME will be sponsoring the Elba Region Cancer Bypass Support Group. The group meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Meetings will now be held in the Hospital Conference Room. For information, contact the Support Group Meetings, contact: Cindy Mayhew 497-2434. Call at 334-497-2257 ext. 267 between 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Elba City Council gets update on municipal projects

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council met briefly Monday evening. The only motion was to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

However, the group did get updates on several matters. Police Chief Freddy Hancey reported that he expected to have the vacant patrolmen slots filled within a couple of weeks.

Hancey also reported that efforts to buy a new police car off the state bid list has met with delays. No action is expected on this matter until at least August.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham noted that trash pick-up is getting back to normal but the city will still be running two pick-up vehicles for the next couple of weeks.

Mayor James Grimes reported on a recent meeting concern-

ing remodeling of the proposed municipal court building. This is the former U. S. Post Office facility which was donated to the City of Elba by the previous (out of town) owners.

Grimes explained that the meeting with the architect resulted in some recommended changes to the remodeling drawings. He said input from several others was being utilized in an effort to get a good, workable municipal court facility.

Elba has for a number of years utilized the Coffee County District Court system for all its cases. Initial plans call for the city to reactivate the City Court, with a municipal judge, etc., in an effort to save money for the city.

No definite time table has been established for this move.